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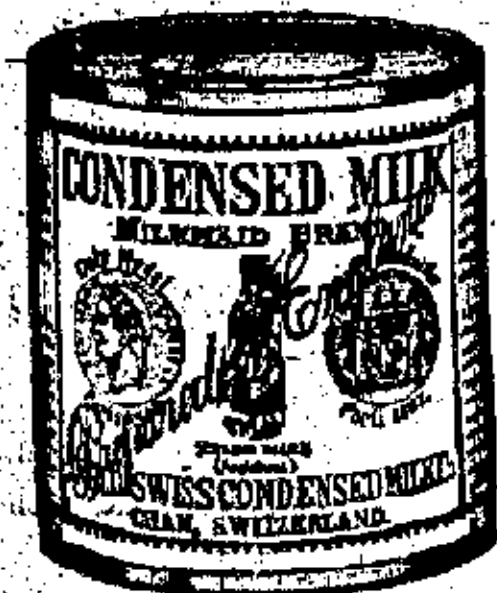
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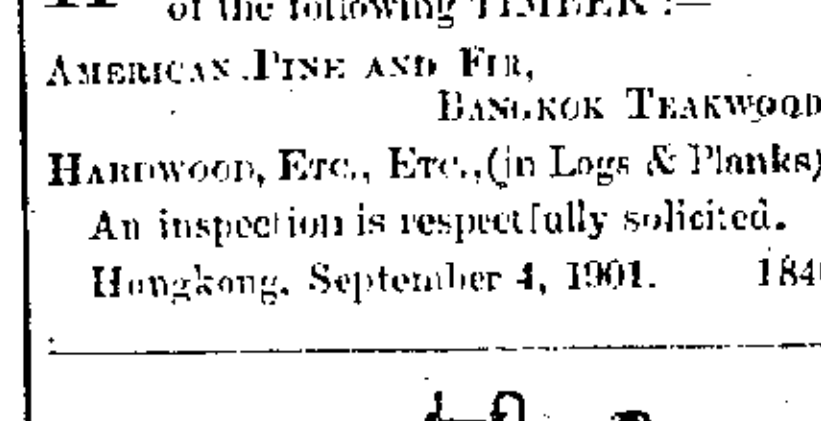
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He wouldn't bow down to the tyrant's hat  
At the top of the market pole,  
And Gessler was more than outraged thereat  
To the depths of his very soul.

And so he decreed with a grim clate:  
"I will make Tell suffer for this;  
I will give him a taste of the fruit of fate  
That will make him exult, I wis!"

And the tyrant he gnashed his teeth and  
said:  
"Bring forward his offering small,  
And place on the top of his golden head,  
A nice little white golf ball."

"Blindfolded, the father his driver free,  
Shall swing with all power and force,  
At his fair son's head, which shall be the toe,  
All the way round the nine-hole course."

Oh, the little fellow was brought forth then,  
And his courage ne'er fell or failed,  
Though a chill went over the strongest man  
And the women all wept and wailed.

Twice then at the ball on the head so fair  
That the blindfolded Tell let fly,  
And with aim most rare did he hit it square,  
And it flew to the cloudless sky.

He did it again at the second tee,  
And the third, and his little son  
Danced wholly unharmed in his perfect glee  
At the ninth, when that hole was done.

As the ball in each hole lit on the fly,  
Said William, with merriment fine:  
"You all will kindly take notice that I  
Did the blooming nine holes in 9!"

And Gessler's rage, that had blossomed  
red-hot,  
Smothered down till it ceased to flame,  
While W. T. he engaged on the spot  
To teach him the tricks of the game.  
—R. K. Maudslott in the "Smart Set."

**A JOURNALIST'S EXAMINA-  
TION PAPER.**

The Council of the Institute of  
Journalists has approved of an examina-  
tion scheme for admission to the mem-  
bership of the Institute. The *Morning  
Leader* suggests the following among  
other items to form part of a "General  
Paper for the Journalist's Little Go":

1. Under what circumstances, if any,  
are the following terms admissible:  
"The devouring element," "felt his posi-  
tion acutely," "Jupiter Pluvius," "with a  
sickening thud," "the reign of vantage,"  
"transpired," "the proceedings then  
terminated," "under the auspices of,"  
"the stored edifice," "then, as the sun  
rose fully."

2. Make any remarks you please  
(short of profanity) upon the word  
"arrest."

3. Explain and distinguish: "From  
a correspondent," "from our correspon-  
dent," "from our own correspondent,"  
"from a special correspondent," "from  
our special correspondent," "from our  
own reporters."

4. On what occasions, by whom, and  
with what results were the following  
words used: "I learn from a quarter  
likely to be well informed," "I gather  
from an authoritative source," "and  
why not?" "oh, my heavens?"

5. "Nemo repente fuit turpissimus."  
Discuss, with reference to the training  
of a managing editor.

6. It is legitimate for newspaper prop-  
rietors to hold opinions? If so, whose?  
7. What are your views on the sub-  
ject of "expenses?"

8. By whom were the following  
words spoken: "Let me draft a journal's  
headlines, I care not who writes his  
leading articles? Is it possible, and if  
so, under what conditions, to preserve  
leading articles from extinction?"

9. What do you think of the head-  
ing "Jerked over Jordan" for the report  
of an execution? Consider the utility of  
contents-bill type for headlines.

10. Write a brief essay on one of the  
following subjects: (1) "How to Make  
the Best of Both Worlds." (2) "The  
Use and (more especially) the Abuse of  
Advertisement Managers." (3) "Should  
Dramatic Critics be Cremated?"

11. Mention any events of interest  
connected with Shanghai, Peking, Bride-  
well Place.

12. What would happen to a news  
editor who refused to accept an exclu-  
sive piece of news from a correspondent  
who was not a member of the "In-  
stitute"? Discuss the expediency of  
offering the offender a Fellowship.

13. Draw a week's salary.

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Tung Sang Wink... 5  
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Kwong Yu Wing... 5  
Ying Tai Loong... 5  
Hing Fat Cheung... 5  
Tin Shing Cheung... 5

Pork Guild... 200  
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### CUSTOMS AND COURTESY.

#### An Incident of Official Red-Tape.

The amount of trouble which the Customs-house authorities give themselves and other people (says the *Kobe Chronicle*) is a theme upon which we have often enlarged, but red-tape is one of the most difficult diseases to eradicate. At any rate, it flourishes unchecked in the Kobe Customs-house. Some time ago two bales of cotton were transhipped and brought back by another foreign steamer. Now, though Japanese steamers claim with those of other nationalities the right to participate in the coasting trade of China, foreign steamers are prohibited from engaging in the coasting trade of Japan, and the fact that a foreign steamer had brought two bales of cotton from Moji led to a most searching inquiry by the local Customs.

How much stationery was used in correspondence and how much time wasted we do not know, but they must have been considerable, for it was weeks before the firm concerned, which is one of the oldest and most respected in Kobe, could obtain possession of those two unfortunate bales. The absurdity of the thing is apparent when it is remembered that no duty is imposed on cotton, so that there could be no question of evading the Customs.

After weeks of negotiation, the Customs at last sent for a representative of the firm, and an official sternly put him through a catechism. First of all his name was asked, his age, what was the office address of his firm, where his private house was situated, and so on. We understand that he was not required to show his vaccination marks, nor was the production of a birth-certificate deemed necessary, though they were as germane to the case as the questions asked. Then came a series of questions on the matter of the transshipment of the cotton, and, beginning at the beginning, the representative of the firm went through the facts minutely and explained everything to his best ability in simple language. When it came to the question of the bales being shipped under an export or tranship-

ment order, the Customs official calmly replied to one of the representative's statements, "That is a lie!" Doubtless he simply meant to indicate that his view of the facts was different from that advanced; but, the Customs, if English is used at all, should employ people who understand something about the language. There are many men who, if they were bluntly told "That is a lie!" would not stop to think that such an expression was used through ignorance, but would knock the speaker down forthwith, with results that might be inconvenient all round. The bales of cotton have now, we understand, been duly passed by the Customs, after serving as one more object lesson in the abuse of red-tape which is the curse of Japan.

#### STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Meeting.

5 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Club.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Swiss* undelivered after  
Noon landed.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, October 24:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Philippine  
and Australian Stamps by Mr. G. P. Lan-guet, at his Sales Rooms, Duddell  
Street.

FRIDAY, October 25:—

Goods per *Marbury* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.Goods per *Japan* not cleared at 4 p.m.  
subject to rent.

SATURDAY, October 26:—

Goods per *Penelope* undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.Goods per *Alroy* undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, October 28:—

3 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Leasehold  
Properties at the Peak, Victoria,  
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## BIRTHS.

On the 20th October, at No. 10, Seymour  
Terrace, the wife of CHAS. H. LAMBERT,  
of a Son.On the 12th October, at Shanghai, the  
wife of the Rev. A. HENLEY SHARMAN,  
of Wenchow, of a Son.

## MARRIAGE.

On the 20th September, by licence, at  
St. John's Church, Upper Norwood, by the  
Rev. EDWARD RAM and the Rev. Ralph  
son of James Ram, of Hongkong,  
MABEL ZOR, daughter of Frederick Topham,  
of South Norwood Park.

## DEATH.

On the 16th October, at 8.30 a.m., at the  
General Hospital, Shanghai, Veterinary  
Surgeon RUSKINS, of the German Garrison,  
Shanghai.Mrs. AITKEN and family desire to  
thank all friends for their sympathy  
and their tributes in their recent  
bereavement.The publication of this issue commenced  
at 5.35 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1901.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

There were thirteen warships of various  
powers at Nagasaki last week.One of the members of an American  
Vaudeville Company now in Japan dances  
"the Scotch Highland Fling."According to the *Correspondence*, there  
is some talk of a marriage between the  
Infanta Maria Theresa, younger sister of  
the King of Spain, and the Grand Duke  
Vladimir of Russia.Last night, a house in Centro Street  
was broken into by three robbers, the  
occupant (a woman) gagged, and money and  
valuables to the amount of \$80 stolen.  
One arrest has been made.A Bikaner despatch states that one of  
five Italian officers who arrived there en  
route to Tokio to attend the approaching  
military manoeuvres in north-eastern Japan  
took some photographs of the place, and  
was arrested on the 11th inst.The marriage has taken place of Percy  
Maclean Still, youngest son of the late  
Charles Frederick Still, J.P., of Hongkong,  
and Mary Margaret Johnston, widow of  
James George Johnston, of St. Andrews,  
and sixth daughter of the late Thomas Duff,  
J.P., D.L., of Harefield, Hants, and formerly  
Aberlour, Banffshire.The Chinese Government has engaged  
the services of M. Rutishauser, a Swiss en-  
gineer, to build a powder factory, probably  
at Peking, also to superintend the rebuilding  
of the arsenal at Tientsin. The salary  
which M. Rutishauser is to receive is £1,200  
sterling. He has been hitherto director of  
the powder factory at Bern.The dredger *Canton River*, which was  
sunk in the harbour in November last, has  
not been sold to the American Government  
for the dredging of Manila Harbour, as was  
reported, nor has she been sold to anybody  
yet. She is still in the hands of the In-  
surance Company.

Professor E. H. Parker.

The county council of Lancashire has  
decided to make a special grant for the  
teaching of Chinese, and subscriptions in  
aid of this object have been promised by  
Lancashire men who are interested, in view  
of the large trade between Lancashire and  
China. The authorities of Owens College,  
Manchester, have been enabled to appoint  
Mr. E. H. Parker, who for many years a  
professor of the Chinese language. The  
pronunciation used by Mr. Parker's appointment,  
the *L. and C. Express* says:—Mr. E. H.  
Parker, who for several years has been  
reader in Chinese at the Liverpool Univer-  
sity, has been appointed Professor of Chi-  
nese at Owens College, Manchester. The  
Lancashire County Council has decided to  
make a special grant towards the chair, and  
subscriptions in aid of the same object have  
been promised by Lancashire men who are  
interested, in view of the large trade be-  
tween the county and China. The appoint-  
ment is a practical step to enable the com-  
ing generation of British merchants in  
China to hold their own in the competition  
that is likely to become more acconated.  
As China is more and more opened up, the  
need of speaking or writing Chinese will  
become greater, and speaking Chinese will  
be better than expecting the Government  
to do all to push British trade. The Go-  
vernment can do much, but the trader  
himself has to be the first link in the  
chain.For the past quarter of a century there has  
been one continuous flow of letters bearing  
testimony to the truly wonderful cures effected  
by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The  
first of these letters was from a mother who  
had brought to light. Sufferers from  
Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and  
all the ailments of the throat and chest are  
solicited to give it a trial to test its value.  
Sold everywhere, at 2s. 6d. per bottle. Beware  
of worthless imitations and substitutes. E24

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An Aged Irishman.

The death is announced of John Mac-  
Done, of Ennislainin, Connemara, who is  
credited with having attained the extraor-  
dinary age of 125 years. MacDone was, it  
is said, born in 1776, and was twice mar-  
ried, his second wife, who is now 78, sur-  
viving him. He was, like many of his race  
in the wilds of Connemara, unable to speak  
English.

The Alleged Murder.

The other day we reported a supposed  
case of murder which took place in the  
Suklung District. Two farmers had quar-  
relled, and one struck the other with a  
bamboo. The one who was struck died  
shortly afterwards and was buried. The  
police exhumed the body and an examina-  
tion revealed that deceased had succumbed  
to heart disease. No further proceedings  
will be taken.

Mutiny in the German Navy.

The news has just leaked out of a  
serious case of mutiny aboard the *Kaiser  
Wilhelm der Grosse*, Prince Henry's flag-  
ship, which was suppressed by the arrest of  
a subaltern officer. This officer, it is said,  
protested against the alleged ill-treatment of  
certain stokers and engineers by the first  
officer, and had thrown overboard certain  
parts of the engine. When the ironclad  
*Brandenburg* left Kiel for Dantzig to  
participate in the manoeuvres some breech-  
pieces were thrown overboard, rendering  
several guns useless.

Life-Saving at Sea.

A telegram from Havre says that the  
members of the International Jury appoint-  
ed to award the Pollock Prize for life-saving  
apparatus and for the prevention of col-  
lisions at sea have concluded their examina-  
tion of the models sent in, which have  
been exhibited in a shed belonging to the  
Havre Chamber of Commerce. The Jury,  
while recognising the endeavours made to  
provide greater safety in navigation, finds  
that none of the schemes submitted meets  
one of the objects to be attained, and, there-  
fore, it does not award the prize.

Missionaries for China.

There was to be a great gathering at  
Exeter Hall on 25th September to bid fare-  
well to a number of missionaries of the  
Church Missionary Society. The numbers  
coming out are unusually large this year,  
being about 200, as compared with 139 last  
year. The difference is largely accounted  
for by the fact that owing to the distur-  
bances in China the missionaries on fur-  
loign and the new missionaries were kept  
back last year. Some 65 men and women,  
single and married, in orders, or qualified  
medically, are sailing for China.

The Late Lieut.-Colonel Gawne.

A Memorial is to be erected in Rushen  
Parish Church, Isle of Man, to the memory  
of Lieut.-Colonel J. M. Gawne, 2nd Bata-  
lion Lancaster Regiment (The King's  
Own), who was mortally wounded at Vy-  
fred in the early part of the year and died  
immediately after the action. Keenough,  
the home of Colonel Gawne's ancestors, is  
in the parish of Rushen, and his nephew  
now resides there. He was a direct de-  
scendant of the ancient King of Man, and  
the family have always taken a leading part  
in insular affairs. The Memorial will con-  
sist of a carved stone baptismal font.

Wholesale Poisoning.

It did not become publicly known until  
yesterday (says *The Standard* of the 17th  
September) that on Friday evening over  
forty children, the sons and daughters of  
gunners engaged at the Thames forts, had  
been poisoned. The gunners assembled in  
a field at Tilbury Fort for some sports, and  
their children were by the Military  
authorities given a treat, at which ham and  
beef sandwiches were liberally supplied.  
Suddenly a boy commenced to vomit, and  
fell prone as if lifeless. Whilst he was re-  
ceiving attention a second and a third fell.  
Then in all about twenty collapsed to-  
gether, and within an hour nearly all the  
children who had feasted were lying about  
the field like corpses. Great consternation  
was naturally caused. Fortunately Sur-  
geon-Major Bryden and Colonel Prescott  
were on the scene, and treated all the cases  
as promptly as possible. Twenty were  
found to be serious, and the sufferers were  
put to bed, where they have since remained  
under careful treatment. It was believed  
last night that they are all out of danger.  
The doctors have not publicly stated the  
cause of the sickness, but it is under-  
stood to have been ptomaine poisoning.CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY  
SAVED HIS BOY'S LIFE.I believe I saved my (nine year old) boy's  
life this winter with Chamberlain's  
Cough Remedy, says A. M. Hoppe, Rio  
Creek, Wis., U.S.A. "He was so choked  
up with croup that he could not speak. I  
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Volunteer Camp.

The real hard work of the Camp at  
Stoney Island commenced to-day.  
A good morning's drill was put in. It is  
satisfactory to note that one does not hear  
a complaint about the arrangements. A  
concert is being got up for to-morrow night.  
The lunch menu is to leave Queen's Statue  
Wharf at 7 p.m. sharp on Friday with guests  
for the Officers' Mess.

The Cochrane Street Catastrophe.

To-day, at the Magistrate's Acting Po-  
lice Magistrate's Hall, the owner of the  
houses Nos. 32 and 34, Cochrane  
Street, \$500 for deviating in ten instances  
from the plans submitted to the Public  
Works Department, or, failing payment,  
ten months' imprisonment. The contrac-  
tor, against whom there were nine different  
counts in the indictment, was fined \$450,  
or nine months' imprisonment. His Wor-  
ship made no comments.

Continental English.

'Caius' writes as follows in the  
*Straits Times*:—A Singapore business man  
who has just returned from a trip home  
had occasion to advertise for an assistant.  
He got many replies, and among them the  
following:—  
Dr. Sir,—In reply to adv. in D. T.—I  
beg to offer you my services as mentioned.  
I am 29 years of age—English—but speak-  
ing fluently French, Italian, Arabic and  
understanding Greek and German. I have  
been 10 years in Cairo (rather a warm coun-  
try) as interpreter in furniture firm. Then  
professor of languages in French College  
(the opportunity having been offered). Of  
course I am ignorant of your business but  
would soon be acquainted with it. I am a  
sort of all round man—quickly under-  
taking what is required. I am single, and  
in England since 10 months, but as winter  
here is rather too hard for me, being ac-  
customed to warm countries, I should  
like to go abroad. I can tell you, many  
went with me and are dead. For the  
agreements of warm countries are numerous,  
you naturally know. Fevers and Malaria,  
Small Pox, Influenza, Plague, Ophthalmia,  
Rheumatism, Mosquitoes, Snakes Scorpions  
etc. I am very well acquainted with them  
all. So you can see 10 years of Cairo have  
given me a little knowledge of it. Though  
I was never ill, being a sort of anti-  
febrifuge but my eyes were a little affected.  
Well, Dr. Sir, if you think I am your man,  
kindly let me know. When and where is  
the starting point of the Business. Very  
Respectfully etc.It was all right in a way, said the  
friend who showed me the letter, 'though  
some of the English seemed a bit Con-  
tinental. However, when I came to his  
experience with an "Agreement" like  
'Snakes,' I passed on to the next chit.'

CRICKET.

ROYAL ENGINEERS C.C. THE ORDNANCE C.C.

A match was played on Happy Valley  
ground on Saturday last, between teams as  
above, and resulted in a win for the R.E.'s.  
For the Sappers Bowyer secured 5 wickets  
for 3 runs. Scores:—  
R.E. C.C.  
Sortt, Meader, b Langley ..... 11  
L. Cpl. Jevsbury, b Langley ..... 1  
2nd Cpl. Dolcombe, lbw., b Woods ..... 29  
Sapper Bowyer, b Moore ..... 1  
Cpl. Thornhill, b Moore ..... 48  
Cpl. Clarke, b Lillywhite ..... 2  
2nd Cpl. Tillman, not out ..... 18  
Wides ..... 2  
Total for 6 wickets ..... 110  
\* Inning declared closed.

ORDNANCE C.C.

L. Cpl. Woods, c West, b Bowyer ..... 0  
Cpl. Langley, c Thornhill, b Bowyer ..... 0  
L. Cpl. Lillywhite, c Meader, b Bowyer ..... 0  
Cpl. Rutter, b Meader ..... 0  
L. Cpl. Shalla, lbw., b Meader ..... 0  
Pte. Burgess, b Meader ..... 0  
Pte. Moore, J., st. Barnfather, b  
Bowyer ..... 2  
Pte. Moore, E., b Bowyer ..... 2  
Pte. Lashbrook, lbw., b Meader ..... 3  
Pte. McKenzie, b Meader ..... 0  
Sergeant Davidson, not out ..... 4  
Bye ..... 1  
Total ..... 18M'GOVER: 'What makes you think he  
isn't a gentleman?' Thinguomb: 'He  
insists that he is.''Do you see anything ridiculous in this?'  
asked a young carrier. 'Only the head,'  
was the prompt reply.His Lordship: 'What does counsel suppose  
you on the bench for?' Counsel: 'Well,  
my lord, I confess you have me there.'Mistress (engaging new servant): 'I hope  
you know your place.' Bridget: 'Oh, yes,  
mum. I asked your last girl all about  
that.'If it be true, as stated, that Hobson is  
going to be married, the prospective Mrs.  
H. will have no occasion to ask him to go  
away somewhere and make a record.

Hongkong Register

Previous day at 4 p.m. On date at On date at  
10 a.m. 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

Barometer ..... 29.97 30.09 29.98

Temperature ..... 73 77 77

Humidity ..... 64 56 66

Direction of Wind ..... ESE. ESE. E

Force ..... 4 3 1

Weather ..... b. b. b.

Rain ..... 0.03

Highest open air temperature on the 21st: 75.

Lowest open air temperature on the 21st: 55.

Hongkong Observatory, 22nd Oct. 1901.

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## TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.]

RICKSHA STRIKE AT SINGAPORE.

EUROPEANS ASSAULTED.

Strong Police Measures. Forty  
Arrests.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, October 22, 2.15 p.m.

A ricksha strike commenced here yester-  
day morning, owing to the strict enforce-  
ment of the Government regulations.Yesterday and to-day, Europeans have  
been assaulted by the rickshas in the street,  
and the rickshas smashed.The police and armed Sikh guards paraded  
the main streets, and a strong force of  
police is held in readiness in anticipation  
of serious rioting.A fight took place at mid-day between  
the police and the ricksha pullers; the  
police were stoned, but charged the rickshas  
and made forty arrests.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

LONDON, 19th October, 1901.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Reported Death of De Wet.

It is persistently reported in Natal that  
Commandant De Wet is dead.

Yeomanry Sail for South Africa.

The first draft of re-enlisted Yeomanry  
has sailed for South Africa.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and  
York have arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
thereby completing their tour.

LONDON, 20th October, 1901.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Canadians Surprise the Boers.

The Canadians surprised a Boer laager,  
killing three of the enemy and capturing  
four. The Boers abandoned everything,  
including large quantities of stock, food,  
and ammunition.

[HAYAS SERVICE.]

FRANCE AND TURKEY.

PARIS, October 13.

It is reported from Salonica that M.  
Monastir, the French Vice-Consul, was  
attacked by Turkish soldiers. His as-  
sailants have been arrested, and the Turkish  
military commander apologised to the Vice-  
Consul for the outrage.

[FROM JAPANESE SOURCES.]

RUSSIA AND MANCHURIA.

LONDON, Oct. 10.

The Times regards the situation in  
Manchuria as having improved and believes  
that Russia intends to restore the  
Newchwang-Shanghai Railway and  
likewise the port of Newchwang.ROOSEVELT AND THE CHINESE  
TARIFF.President Roosevelt has appointed Mr.  
Sharretts, a tariff expert, to proceed to  
China respecting revision of the Treaties.  
Mr. Sharretts advocates the open door  
policy in China.[Is Mr. Sharretts our old friend Mr. John  
Barrett, or in be another 'personality'?—  
Ed., C.M.]

THE AFGHAN FRONTIER.

The Afghans are reinforcing the frontier  
garrisons and Russia is moving troops at  
Peshawar.[The place referred to is probably the  
Pushi-kul-Jam Plateau in the north-  
eastern part of Khoreasan and about mid-  
way between Merv and Herat.]JAPANESE OFFICERS AT  
ALDERSHOT.The Japanese military officers now in  
Europe have just paid a visit to Aldershot.

TREATY REVISION IN CHINA.

TOKIO, October 11.

The powers will open separate negotiations  
with China for the revision of the Treaties.  
Only in respect to conversion of the tariff  
from an ad valorem to a quantitative basis,  
the opening up of inland navigation, and  
the abolition of the likin tax will joint  
negotiations be undertaken. In regard  
to the abolition of the likin tax, it will be  
necessary to devise some other means of re-  
venue, as a part of the fund for the indemnity  
was to be drawn from the likin tax. The  
establishment of some new settlements will  
be inevitable and the benefit arising from  
the step will be equally enjoyed by all the  
powers in common. The Japanese  
Commissioner will shortly be appointed  
and some experts will be selected to assist  
him. The Commissioner will probably be  
an official from the Financial Department.

A WORD TO TRAVELLERS.

THE danger of incident to travelling and  
change of food and water often brings  
on diarrhoea, and for this reason no one  
should leave home without a bottle of  
Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea  
Remedy. For sale by All Dealers. WATKINS & Co., Ltd.,  
General Agents.THE EMPEROR OF CHINA'S  
ITINERARY.

Important Correspondence.

A London telegram dated 6th October  
says:—The *Lobenziger* has obtained  
and publishes facsimiles of letters from  
Kwangai to Prince Chien, containing the  
itinerary of the Court's journey to Peking,  
and announcing the Emperor's intention  
to proceed in the third month to Shantung  
via Tientsin in a steamer, and hold a  
parade and return by the same route.

CANTON NOTES

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

STRIKE OF THE FISH DEALERS.

Canton, October 21.

Fearing that the construction of the  
Bund at Wong Sui, which is on the west  
end of Canton, would interfere with the  
landing of cargoes from their boats, last  
week the fish guild ordered the suspension  
of business. A strong proclamation from  
the Nam Hoi magistrate has perhaps  
prevented an extension of the strike. In  
the meantime, the men connected with the  
fish trade have attempted to rouse public  
feeling against the work now going on at  
the new Bund. On Saturday, work had  
to be suspended. A body of rioters, num-  
bering several hundreds strong, from the  
neighbouring villages, assembled at Wong  
Sui and began stone throwing. The work-  
men were obliged to withdraw, and the  
soldiers were called out to preserve the  
peace. The rioters, who exceeded the  
soldiers in numbers, were not inclined to  
obey. The arrest of nine ringleaders had  
the desired effect, and the rest blunk away



## LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)  
London, September 20.

For the third time in a century not yet three hundred years old, the courts of the civilised world are in mourning, and for the third time within less than forty years the United States have lost their President by an assassin's blow. While assassination is in the air it is a disease likely to infect the States rather than the more homogeneous European countries. Everything in the mental and moral sphere that is not stereotyped tends to gravitate to the great American republic, where more than elsewhere every crank has a hearing and an opportunity. The Lion and the Bear have no use for eccentricity, the Eagles of Central Europe are too old to be caught with chaff, but the younger nations of the West have become the sink of the world (*sentina gentium*) and there is no marvellous revelation, i.e., no dangerous lunacy, that will not flourish there. They are hotter-headed than we, they have youthful enthusiasm, and what a man in the old world would think and hesitate over, his brother in the west translates into prompt action. Hence firebrands like Emma Goldman are far more dangerous than say, Maud Gonne. Whatever is worst in Europe crosses the Atlantic, and becomes intensified there. Even the expression of the resentment and horror that is awakened by the distasteful crime of Czolgosz is fiercer than any thing of the kind at home. The police always have to protect assassins from the fury of the loyal mob, but where else in the world would the murderer be disguised by the police in a constable's helmet and coat to protect him from attack? Even now it is not known where the prisoners are confined to await their trial. President McKinley res't in Canton, Ohio; it is a curious fact that not one of the twenty-four Presidents who have ruled the States is buried in Washington.

I believe the trial of Czolgosz will begin next Monday and finish on the following day, and that he will be hanged on Wednesday, Nov. 6, allowing an interval of six full weeks between sentence and execution. There is not likely to be anything like the shameful loitering of slow-footed justice that there was in the case of Guiteau. The present temper of the American people would not tolerate it, and no one can blame them, for if there be degrees in such a crime as assassination, the foulest of all is when the dagger or pistol strikes down a harmless victim of blueness life unassociated with any harshness or tyranny of government.

The accession of President Roosevelt will make a difference along the China coast. The new president is a favourer of the world policy that commenced with the Spanish war of four years ago. As his term of office will extend till March 4, 1905, he has time to imprint his mark on the Americanising of the Philippines, the Isthmian canal and the American Pacific Cable. We shall await with some anxiety an authentic pronouncement on finance, but he is not at all likely to disturb the silver market of the world as President Harrison's government did eleven years ago. What I should forecast is, briefly, a generous relaxation of the McKinley tariff, drastic legislation directed against trusts and vast speculative combines, and encouragement of what has been humorously called the re-Morganisation of merchant shipping lines. In China, the U. S. flag will come into prominence, and, it may be reasonably supposed, American diplomats will cease to believe so confidently every word that Russia says. In a word, Roosevelt will not, like McKinley, lend by following, but will introduce a strong personality into the machinery of the ship-of-state.

The Victoria University at Manchester is to be heartily congratulated on its most recent appointment. The chair of Chinese has at last been filled, and by no less famous an expert than Mr. E. H. Parker. Manchester's exports of yarns and cotton goods to China amount to something like six millions annually, and it has long been desirable that Owen's College, as one of the most modern and practical of our Universities, should follow the older ones by recognising Chinese as a subject of study. There can be no doubt that the appointment is absolutely the best that could be made. Readers of the *China Review* have long been accustomed to recognise with high admiration Mr. Parker's deep historical and linguistic scholarship, never at fault in all branches of his subject, his versatile

that in fact the nick-name that has been given him (the 'Pope of Sinology') not inaccurately describes the estimation in which he is held. Of his most recent work, one may note his copious emendations of Giles' colossal Dictionary, his papers on the Early Turks, and on Chinese grammar and his 'A Thousand Years of the Tartars'; and last the standard history of China's Diplomacy and Commerce. Mr. Ballock is at Oxford, Dr. Douglas at London, Dr. Giles at Cambridge, and now Manchester is honoured by certainly not the least eminent of the four. Probably no man ever knew so many Chinese dialects as Mr. Parker knows, and it is a refreshing thing to have a University Professor of a living language with so complete and practical an acquaintance with the commerce, government and customs of the nation which supplies the subject for his Chair. Owen's College has indeed been fortunate in this selection. As the work will only occupy about six hours a week for about thirty weeks in the year, it is to be hoped Mr. Parker will be able to continue his valuable literary labours.

The excitement of the Czar's visit to France has come and gone. As a spectacle, it was marred by the daylight terror that made it seem necessary to keep the visitor out of reach of the crowds that wished to see him. The greatest share of the pleasure of his reception at Dunkirk fell to a little cockney excursion steamboat, filled with day-trippers, who arrived too late to see the Czar and too early to see the fireworks, but reviewed the French fleet after His Imperial Majesty had done with it, while the Frenchmen manned their decks and dipped the tricolour to the merry party, who returned to London as proud as if the Franco-Russian alliance were their work. No one can take the Alliance quite seriously. The disproportion in power is too palpable and the community of interests (which alone give any treaty any value) is by no means equally obvious. If it be true that the Kaiser and the Czar have agreed together there shall be no war in Europe for at least ten years, the bubble of the Alliance may remain unpricked for quite that time. Otherwise, these secret treaties are becoming too common. Like the earthquakes in Scotland, we have several every year, and they rattle the cups and saucers and sell editions of the evening papers, only that and nothing more.

The next cause celebre is to test whether the Jesuits are an illegal association in England now, or whether the still unrepented laws visiting them with pains and penalties are obsolete. The form of the action will be Father Bernard Vaughan v. the *Rock* newspaper for libel, but it is, I believe, intended to raise the whole 'No Popery' cry in the Courts, in view of the present invasion of England by foreign monks and nuns of all sorts fleeing from the French Associations law.

## CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

The following Report will be presented to the Shareholders at the thirty-fifth ordinary meeting, to be held on Tuesday, the 12th November, 1901, at noon:

The Directors have now to lay before the Shareholders the accompanying Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April last.

The net Premium amount to \$1,380,798.57, and the Working Account shows a balance at credit of \$514,805.07, which sum the Directors recommend be appropriated in the following manner:

A Dividend of 10 per cent to Shareholders (\$1 per share) ..... \$96,000.00  
A Dividend of 15 per cent on Contributions payable to all Contributors of business whether Shareholders or not ..... 125,000.00  
To be carried to New Account ..... 293,805.07  
\$514,805.07

Directors: Messrs E. Goetz and P. Schaefer retired from the Board on leaving the Colony; Messrs P. Witkowski and H. Schibart accepted invitations from the Directors to fill the vacancies, and their appointment will be submitted for the confirmation of Shareholders.

Messrs A. J. Raymond and P. Witkowski retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors: The annexed accounts have been audited by Messrs T. Arnold and H. U. Jeffries, who offer themselves for re-election.

A. HAUPT, Chairman.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1901.

## FELT LIKE A NEW MAN.

My sister was benefited very much by Stearns' Wine. I have not been feeling well for some time, so I reasoned that if it did her good it should do the same for me. I have taken only one bottle and am feeling like a new man.

LAWSON WILSON, JR.

1914 New Main St.

## REGISTRATION OF CHINESE PARTNERSHIPS.

## Report of the Committee of Inquiry.

On 21st October, 1900, Mr. R. C. Wilcox, Secretary of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, wrote a letter to the Government pointing out that 'recent proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court, and more especially a judgment delivered on the 9th July last by His Honour Chief Justice Sir John Carrington in the case *Kung Hing Shing Koo & Co. v. Albert Ah Wee*, in which it was laid down that, according to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Ordinance of 1891, Chinese traders or others non-resident in the Colony, although carrying on business therein under a firm name either by themselves or in partnership with others, are beyond the reach of that enactment, have made it apparent that the law as it stands does not afford that protection to creditors which was intended when it was framed.

The result of the case above quoted has convinced those engaged in commerce in this Colony that it is practically useless for a creditor to institute Bankruptcy proceedings against a Chinese firm, since if it should subsequently appear that any one member of the firm is domiciled in China, and has not voluntarily resided in Hongkong within a year of the presentation of the Bankruptcy petition, such proceedings could be annulled. The Chinese custom of carrying on business under some fancy name, and of the firm consisting of a large number of partners, many of whom may be resident in China, thus placing the conduct of the business in the hands of a manager or of a partner possessing only a small pecuniary interest therein, is well known, and the evils arising from such custom have been felt and acknowledged alike by British and foreign merchants and by the Chinese themselves. The Committee, in asking the Government to amend the Bankruptcy Ordinance of 1891, do so in the full assurance that they reflect the views and give expression to the wishes of the entire mercantile community, the legal profession, and the judges administering the law.

This is no new question, nor is it a novel matter for commercial law. The advisability of the creation of such a system was considered so far back as 1874, when a Bill entitled the *Victorian Registration Ordinance* was drafted for the purpose, but did not become law. The question was again urged upon the then Government in 1877 by this Chamber but without effect, the reply returned, on the 28th August, 1878, stating that it would be "very inexpedient" to "carry out such registration" for no reason for the alleged expediency, however, being offered. Again, in April, 1881, when considering the draft of the proposed Bankruptcy Amendment Ordinance, the Committee of this Chamber expressed a strong opinion that, to render the measure more completely applicable to local requirements, it should be preceded or supplemented by a Bill for the compulsory registration of partners in Chinese firms, and added that without such registration as an adjunct the proposed new Bankruptcy Ordinance would lose much in usefulness. How thoroughly this provision has been fulfilled, the records of the Supreme Court can readily demonstrate. No real harm has been done on the Chinese by the passage of such a measure. European and American houses trading here or in the Treaty Ports of China voluntarily announce to the public, by means of circulars and by advertisements in the newspapers, the names of the individual partners in their firms, and all changes in such partnerships, at considerable expense, and certain Chinese firms have voluntarily followed the example. It is not too much to ask, if the mass of the Chinese are used to such methods, that they should register their partnerships with the Registrar General. As a proof that the Chinese themselves are not likely to entertain any objection to such a system, I would remind the Government that in 1882 a Petition very numerous signed by Chinese traders was presented to the Registrar General praying that the law be required "to register and to appoint a fixed date within which all shops are to send in without delay the real names and surnames of their masters." This was really only a proposal to put into practice here a custom already observed by Chinese in other parts of China, and, as a means of identification and a precautionary measure against fraud, could not excite hostility among reasonable persons.

Following the above, Hon. J. E. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, drew up a scheme embracing a Bill for the compulsory registration of the proceedings in connection with the question since 1874, when it was first raised by the Chinese community in the form of a petition. His Excellency the Governor then authorized the following committee to make inquiry into the subject:—His Honour Mr. Justice Wils, (Chairman), Hon. Mr. Ho Kai, Mr. Wei Yuk, Hon. J. Thurbon, Mr. R. G. Sheehan, and Mr. Leung Pui Chi, with Mr. Leo D'Almeida as Secretary.

The Committee held a number of sittings, and "Hence was taken from Sir Thomas Jackson, Mr. R. C. Wilcox, Mr. J. Beece, Mr. Jang Wa Chan, Mr. Ho Fook and Mr. Lau Yau Chan.

The result of the sittings was that a report was drawn up, on 24th September last, and signed by all the members of the Committee except Mr. Sheehan. The members of the Committee unanimously decided, though for different reasons, that it would be inadvisable to introduce a Bill for the registration of Partners in Chinese firms without the consent of the Government, and, however, for such a decision was made that it would be impracticable to give due effect to such legislation. Amongst the reasons brought forward to support such a decision were the following:—(1) That in consequence of the difference between English and Chinese law as to the liability of a partner in an insolvent firm, the Chinese would not be inclined to register their true names, and that any such registration would therefore tend to fraud and litigation; (2) The enormous expense that would be incurred owing to the difficulty of finding out who the partners in a Chinese firm are; (3) That such legislation would tend to drive capital from the Colony, and would seriously interfere with trade.

Mr. Sheehan submitted the following separate report:—The Registrar General, I am advised, is by no means desirous of the words 'partners in a firm' that it would, if possible, have been well to have first had a clear definition of it. Taking the meaning to be one who shares in the profits or losses in proportion to his share of the capital or interest in the firm, I am advised, is by no means desirous of the words 'partners in a firm' that it would, if possible, have been well to have first had a clear definition of it. Taking the meaning to be one who shares in the profits or losses in proportion to his share of the capital or interest in the firm, I am advised, is by no means desirous of the words 'partners in a firm' that it would, if possible, have been well to have first had a clear definition of it. 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